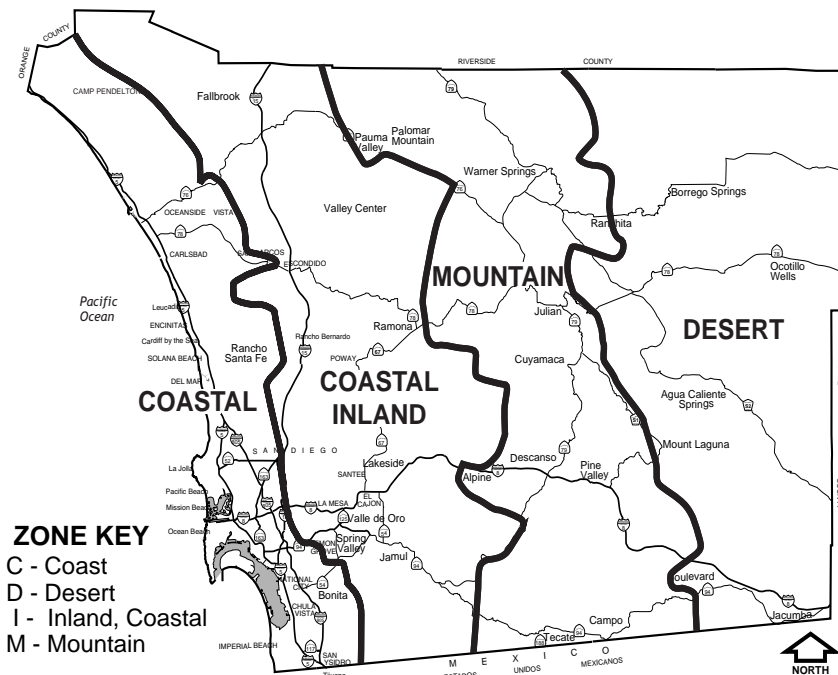


COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

ACCEPTABLE PLANTS FOR A DEFENSIBLE SPACE IN FIRE PRONE AREAS

SAN DIEGO COUNTY CLIMATE ZONES



ALL PLANTS ON THE FOLLOWING LIST are considered to be drought-tolerant in the particular life zone noted. Those which grow best in riparian areas, as indicated by the (R), are the least drought-tolerant plants on the list.

SPECIAL NOTE: When planting, it is necessary to deep water to encourage plant roots to seek natural moisture in the soil. This watering should continue for at least three years to naturalize. More water should be provided in summer and less (if any) in the winter. These plants should be weaned off the supplemental irrigation and become less dependent on it over the establishment period.

No plant is totally fire resistant. The plants listed were chosen due to their high water content, minimum amount of flammable resins and low fuel volume.

Toxicodendron diversilobum	Poison Oak	I/M
Verbena lilacina	Lilac Verbena	C
Xylosma congestum	Shiny Xylosma	C/I
Yucca schidigera	Mojave Yucca	D
whipplei	Foothill Yucca	I

GROUNDCOVERS

BOTANICAL NAME	COMMON NAME	CLIMATE ZONE
Achillea	Yarrow	All zones
Aptenia cordifolia	Aptenia	C
Arctostaphylos spp.	Manzanita	C/I/D
Baccharis pilularis	Coyote Bush	C/I/D
Ceanothus spp.	California Lilac	C/I/M
Cerastium tomentosum	Snow-in-Summer	All zones
Coprosma kirkii	Creeping Coprosma	C/I/D
Cotoneaster spp.	Redberry	All zones
Drosanthemum hispidum	Rosea Ice Plant	C/I
Dudleya brittonii	Britton's Chalk Dudleya	C
Eschscholzia californica	California Poppy	All zones
Euonymus fortunei 'Carrierei'	Glossy Winter Creeper	M
'Coloratus'	Purple-Leaf Winter Creeper	M